

# **PILGRIM'S PROGRESS**

July 2023



Senior Minister Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn

**Consulting Minister** Dr. Lowell Linden

Licensed Minister Mr. Jon Olson

**Ministers Emeriti** Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Bingham Rev. Dr. Douglas Lobb

> Youth Director Mrs. Sarah Campbell

#### Music Dept.

Ms. Susan Winckler - Director Mr. Bruce Jones - Organist Ms. Nancy Rodewald - Children's Music

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**Custodial Staff** 

Mr. James Stevenson Ms. Laura Zamada Mr. Joe Madrigal

#### **WELCOME HOME!**

#### **Mission**:

Pilgrim Congregational Church is an independent community of Christian faith which glorifies God through worship and service to others, respects individual spiritual growth, and inspires compassionate fellowship.

#### Vision:

Pilgrim Congregational Church is the spiritual home of our community where all people are welcomed, known, and loved.

#### **Church Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday, 9am to 4pm Appointments are recommended.

**Worship Service:** Sundays at 10am ~ In-person or Online

*"Such knowledge is too wonderful for me."* ~Psalm 139:6

#### Pilgrim Congregational Church

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### **MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER**

### The Life and Language of Praise

"Such knowledge is too wonderful for me." ~Psalm 139:6

The Book of Psalms is strange and wonderful. It is strange because it is filled with the excessive language of praise that is, at times, so over-the-top that it sounds imaginary and disconnected from reality. What could possibly warrant such extreme language? It is wonderful because it is the poetry of a life in relationship to God, filled with beautiful descriptions of joy and hardship that any human being might identify with.

The words of praise in the psalms are reaching as far as language can reach to speak of God. From the heavens above to Sheol below, there is nothing that God does not encompass. No preposition can describe where God is not. And no superlative can stretch too far the description of God. These are words at the limits of language, revealing to us that God is not ours to manage or control.

The language of praise reveals that a relationship with God is not defined by saying the right words. What cannot be controlled by words however can be experienced by a life. When the psalmist sings about all the ways that God knows us, the psalmist adds that such knowledge is "too wonderful." When we experience God, we experience something beyond our reckoning. We cannot explain it or control it.

And so, we are driven, like the psalmist, back to the language of praise. We cannot give a calculation of our lives or the gift of life itself, and so we express in language this failure of any calculation by using words at the limit of language: heaven, Sheol, a position too high for us, a place beyond our attainment.

And we live in relationship to this Mystery that we cannot control. We do so by giving our lives to the highest values and principles that we know: Goodness, Justice, Mercy, Sacrifice. These are the best expressions of our relationship to God. When we live in accordance with these highest values, our lives, more than our words, sing praise to God.



### SUNDAY SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Dear Pilgrim Members and Friends,

On behalf of Pilgrim's Auxiliary, a very special **"thank you"** to everyone who dedicated Sunday Sanctuary Flowers and Boutonnieres this past year. You are very special people! Each and every heartwarming dedication provided an inspiring addition to our Sunday morning worship services. I sincerely hope you will join me again, continuing this longstanding tradition.



Sunday bouquets will continue to be \$39 each; our monthly boutonnieres will be \$24. Please complete the form displayed and send it with your payment to the church office by the first Sunday of the month prior to your Dedication: Attention Nancy Newell. If you would like to take the arrangement home after the service, please be sure to check the "WILL TAKE" box, otherwise your arrangement will be delivered to one of our homebound members. If you have any questions please contact:

Bonnie Seath, Flower Chair, by phone at 909-953-2577 or email Bonniehbd@verizon.net.

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### **PILGRIM AUXILIARY**

## We NEED sorters! FRIDAYS 8am - 10am



We have been very blessed to receive many donations from generous members & friends. So much so there are boxes are bulging out of our garages and we need YOU to come help sort. Sorting helps to pack the garages efficiently to store and receive more donations as well as making the rummage sale set up easier and quicker. And it is fun too. We work together sorting for a couple of hours each Friday with friends which makes the time go by fast.

Come join the team in fellowship and service. Every Friday at Pilgrim Congregational Church, 8am - 10am.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS



The Church Auction has been scheduled for **Saturday, November 18**<sup>th</sup> at Pilgrim. If you are interested in assisting, please contact Beth Brooks at 909-229-5921. This is an annual event sponsored by the Board of Trustees. Items are already being gathered for the silent, live and choice auctions. Gifts cards and restaurant gift certificates are very popular! We look forward to seeing you there!

The Marketplace will be held on **Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>** in the gymnasium. If anyone is interested in renting a table space, please contact Susan Newton at 909-263-6006.

The Board of Christian Education will hold the Pilgrim Festival together with the Marketplace on **December 3**<sup>rd</sup> as well. We are excited for this partnership to create a fun celebration for all ages with opportunities for our church as well as community businesses to raise funds while members and the community enjoy fellowship and fun. Contact Deborah Walden at 909-861-4716 or Sarah Campbell at 909-305-3155 with any questions regarding the festival.

#### Saturday, November 18th ~ Church Auction Sunday, December 3rd ~ Pilgrim Festival & Marketplace

#### **MEMBERSHIP**



Do you like to sing, dance, play an instrument, tell jokes, recite poetry or in general perform? We are hoping to have all different kinds of talent displayed here at Pilgrim. Remember the Bible says, "All who are skilled among you are to come..." (Exodus 35:10.) <u>All</u> ages are encouraged to participate. Acts should be 3-7 minutes long so we can highlight as many folks as possible. Contact Bill Parnell at 909-624-5253 to sign up.

#### All Pilgrim Talent Show Saturday ~ September 23rd

### **TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE**



Pilgrims **Leola Greer** and **Sue Selters** got together with **Roberta Fisher** on 6/26/23. Roberta and Leola spent time reminiscing about Eastern Star and Pilgrim rummage sales. Leola will be receiving her 75 year award and pin from Eastern Star in 2024 and that got a big smile from Roberta! Thank you, Leola!



**Congratulations Leola!** 

#### **LIBRARY NEWS**



All through the summer the library has new books available. Whether you are traveling or on a staycation you can find something good to read: books, magazines, large print books, books on CD.

New fiction titles include: *The Diva Delivers on a Promise* by **Krista Davis**, *Viviana Valentine Gets Her Man* by **Emily Edwards**, *Identity* by **Nora Roberts**, and *The 23<sup>rd</sup> Midnight* by **James Patterson**.

In non-fiction we have *Walking with Sam* by actor **Andrew McCarthy** about his trip along the Santiago Trial in Spain with his son. *The Book of Charlie* by **David** 

Von Drehle shares the amazing story of a 102-year-old physician and jazz musician.

Remember to stop by the library to check us out. ~*Megan Parnell, Librarian* 

### WORD SEARCH

#### **Pilgrim Word Search**

Many of our Pilgrim member names have been infused into this fun crossword puzzle submitted by Janet Beech. Can you find them all?

Amy	Horn	Newell
Andrew	Hupp	Olson
Art	Ian	Osborn
Ben	Jan	Parnell
Beth	Joe	Patrick
Betsy	Jon	Sanders
Bill	Judy	Sarah
Brooks	Karli	Seath
Campbell	Keepers	Shedd
Carl	Keith	Smith
Casner	Leola	Steve
Dey	Linden	Sue
Diana	Lou	Susan
Don	Luke	Thea
Eades	Manildi	Tom
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Glab	Megan	Walden
Gray	Mengle	Whyte
Gus	Nancy	Willison
	Natalie	Winckler

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### **PILGRIM PROFILES**



It seems appropriate in July, the month of patriotic displays, to interview one of our members who is a veteran, not only of the Navy but also of city government. Don Kendrick was raised in the Methodist church in La Verne. After six years in the Navy, he returned to La Verne. Not finding what he needed at his old church, he was invited to Pilgrim by his sister Virginia St. Clair. He was immediately struck by Ben Gaskell's sermon and transferred his membership in the mid 1970's.

Don's first church job was as an usher, which lasted around 45 years, until the pandemic. He also served on the Diaconate Board, Board of Trustees and the Nominating Board. While on the Nominating Board Don asked women to serve as ushers. Previously only men had ushered. The unanimous decision was "It's about time!" Another special project he took on was recruiting members to give the children's message on Sundays. Rev. Donald Keepers had been doing a "brown bag" children's sermon but it had fallen by the wayside. Don Kendrick stepped up and recruited members to

take on the task and thus spare the ministerial staff from the extra work. No one declined the job and the Senior Minister at the time, Dr. Fox, asked to add his name to the list. That was over 30 years ago and it's still going strong. Don feels it is a great tribute to our members' dedication.

Don has had a varied career, starting with his childhood tasks on his parents' chicken ranch in La Verne and going on to serve 6 years in the Navy, four of which were on the nuclear submarine USS James Monroe. After his honorable discharge he spent 10 years in the Cask N Cleaver restaurant organization starting as a cook and moving up to becoming an owner! In 1984 Don started in residential real estate, 39 years in the business so far and out of that, 31 years as Don Kendrick Real Estate Company. Don Kendrick served as La Verne Mayor for 11 years. He served the previous 4 years as a city council member, preceded by over 6 years on the Planning Commission.

His main hobby is wood working in his personal wood shop which he created over the last 20+ years. In addition, he enjoys reading non-fiction. He and his wife Gaynel enjoy traveling and being with other people.

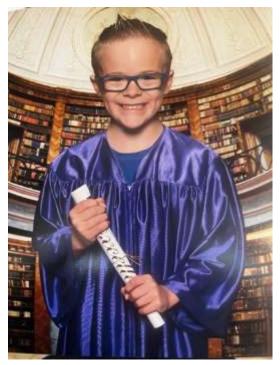
Don married Gaynel in August of 1987 and he said it's the best decision he ever made. She is retired after teaching Home Economics for 38 years at Azusa Unified School District where she made a huge difference in the lives of her students. Her cooking is the best says Don and he has had plenty of experience in the kitchen!



Beside his late sister Virginia St. Clair and her husband Dr. Gene St. Clair, Don has more family at Pilgrim. The St. Clair's daughter Susan Shedd and husband John along with their daughters (the fabulous nieces) Kristine Wise and Diane Taft and their husbands and children. They are very close.

When asked why Pilgrim was important to him, Don replied: "Pilgrim is Home. When I am there, it feels right. It is a place of comfort and love. When in the sanctuary, there is no doubt, in my mind, God is there." Next time you see Don say "hello" and thank him for his service; to the United States, the city of La Verne and Pilgrim Church.

#### GRADUATION



**Charlie A. McCormick Class of 2035** Graduated Kindergarten

"His family and friends are so very proud of his excellent work and accomplishments." Get ready, get set, because here I go. I am ready to show you all I know! I've graduated kindergarten and now I'm done. I laughed and learned and it's been fun! Get ready 1st grade because I am on my way. I've graduated kindergarten, hip, hip, hooray!





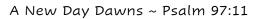
Landon Olson Class of 2035 Graduated Kindergarten

"We are so proud of him and look forward to see what first grade brings."

Max Stillions Class of 2027 Graduated Junior High

"We are so excited for Max as he embarks on this next phase in his educational journey and gets ready to begin High School in the fall."







#### GRADUATION



#### Jaylah Lee Ann Bonds Class of 2023 Graduated High School

"We are so very proud of her and cheer her on as she continues her educational journey in college."

Jaylah will be attending Chaffey College, working on an Associates in Science Degree, specifically an Environmental Science Major to transfer to Cal Poly University.



### Dr. Charlotte Selters Class of 2023

Graduated from Duke University with a Doctorate in Physical Therapy. While at Duke, Charlotte was inducted into the ACAPT National Student Honor Society. Additionally, Dr. Selters was a scholarship recipient for the Dual MMCI/DPT Certificate Program, receiving Certification in Management for Clinical Informatics.

"We are extremely proud of all her accomplishments and know she will do great things as she begins her career in Boston."

#### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY**







**Christian Education Sunday** was May 22nd. This is the day that adults sit down and the youth show off what they have learned this year by leading Worship Service. Each youth from our littlest Pilgrims to those getting ready for their Senior year in High School have a part in the service, either as acolytes, ushers, reading the lessons, leading in prayer, leading hymns, singing songs and even leading the church in communion. Sarah provides a scrip, Nancy prepares

the songs for the kids with Tom Mazur's help and the organ and piano music is provided by Susan Winckler and Bruce Jones. Following worship service is a delicious lunch hosted by the C.E. Board and prepared by Chef D.J. Campbell. This year's theme was Mardi Gras as we enjoyed a delicious southern BBQ lunch. We also presented the Pepronia Merjanian Award to two very deserving individuals; Nancy Blackstock and Tim Stillions for the many ways they serve the youth programs at Pilgrim Congregational Church. The banquet as a whole is a thank you to all the supporters of our youth programs.

#### **FATHER'S DAY FUN**







On the Saturday before Father's Day, there was a fun **Build-It-Together** event, thanks to an unknown donor of

many fun kits. We had 5 attend, Samie and her dad, D.J. and Finnian, with a friend came with Patrick. They had fun building birthday boxes that can be used to store treasures, and then painting them. Fun was had by all. Sarah, who was hosting the event said her favorite thing to witness was the different approaches to solving a problem. Where Patrick methodically



assessed and helped the boys piece it together, DJ and Samie took a pocket knife and chipped away the problem area, both adequately solving the problem. It goes to show there is more than one way to find an answer and we can count on Dad to help when a problem comes up.

### **TEAM SPARK**



Team Spark was at it again. This time they headed to Guasti-Cucamonga Regional Park for the Great Strides event hosted by the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. With the help of Pilgrim Auxiliary, over \$300 was raised and Team Spark ran two booths for those participating in the 5k walk. Jan Manildi, Patty Schelling and Samantha Campbell led the crafting booth where kids could make frames for their team pictures or photo of their choice. Sarah, Duane and Nathaniel Campbell refed a you ring it ~ you win it Ring toss. It was a fun day for everyone..







Jan and Patty help kids make personalized photo frame magnets to display there team photo.

Nathaniel organizes the soda toss board after a big winner.

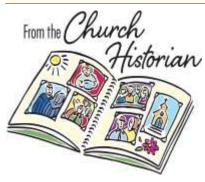
Samie is enlisted by Karli to pass out flags to walkers.



Fun was had by all ages. Other Pilgrim's helped out at this event organized by our very own Karli Gordon. Marketing Manager, Brian Cochran pictured on bottom left DJ'ed the event and Dulce & Emmanuel hosted the Hospitality Booth passing out snacks, refreshments and lunch to volunteers and participants. Other organizations known to be Pilgrim neighbors and friends were available like the NCNW and more.



### SUCCESSFUL SUCESSION TRAINING SESSION



The first of the Pilgrim series of "Succession Training" seminars designed for members currently serving on Boards and in service roles for the church was held on Saturday June 3rd. The purpose of these two hour sessions is to draw in Pilgrim members who might be interested in participating and contributing to the creativity and operations of our church in many many different ways. At each session, information about what each assignment actually does is presented and there is opportunity to ask questions and to demystify how things get done. It is hoped that attendees will want to join in on one or several of the many openings of fellowship and service.

Another benefit of the "Succession Seminars" is that when Board Chairs, Board Members, Church Council members prepare presentations about their roles, ....clarification and focus takes place and the roles are freshened and updated via questions from fellow Pilgrims in attendance. As Chair of these sessions, Rev. Horn ties our roles and activities into Congregational Principles and to the uniqueness and independence of our Pomona Church.

As Church Historian, of course I got to thinking about..... "How would I describe the role and focus of historian of a 136 year old church?" Giving this some thought made me realize that **there are actually two layers of** "**history**" going on with us as we go forward:

- #1. Pilgrim **HAS** a long and great history.
- #2. And Pilgrim **is MAKING great history** in the now and during every year going forward.

As to the first function of the Historian, the job is to discover, protect and preserve artifacts, ledgers, photos, rosters, biographical data, chronological data, community connection, membership rosters, staff rosters, War service rosters, event records and programs, publicity records, construction records, fundraising efforts, entertainments, newsletters and publications, ministerial / sermon records, honors, recognitions and citations, etc. In other words: sorting and organizing closets full of records and putting them in an order in which they may be accessed by the congregation and/or researchers. This is what is meant by " discover, protect and preserve" the great trove of our great history.

The second layer of our "history" is the history that Pilgrims are making NOW in the present. The history that also must be protected, preserved and communicated among the congregation. History is truly an ongoing process. World, national, local community and church events shape us. We shape our church and our community. Thinking about the past five years or so alone, look at what we adapted to : The challenge of Covid: The shutdown of assembled worship; the constraints of observing Christmas, Easter, Auctions, Parking lot events, Rummage Sales. Pilgrim ADAPTED. Pilgrim found new ways, creative ways to keep fellowship alive and to keep our traditions. History was made with livestreamed worship services... drive through Ash Wednesday..... piecemeal parking lot Rummage events .... parking lot opera and musical programs..... on line auctions.... Zoom meeting Devotionals and Church Council Meetings. Pilgrim Library delivering books to homes. Pilgrim made history by celebrating its history with the much-appreciated Community Celebration of our 135th Anniversary Open House event. In previous years Pilgrim has opened to the community for Heritage Home Tours, Bridal Reunions,....... filming site for movies..... Neighborhood Watch Meetings, Voter Election Staff Training....Rental venues....Blood Drives ..... Website development .....Silent Movie Night Choir fundraisers..... so many things. And Pilgrim has "grown the church" meeting the challenges of maintaining and enlarging church attendance during times of technological and philosophical change.

Oh yes, we are making history in the NOW and for the future.

Respectfully Submitted, Diana Smith, Historian

Pilgrim's Progress ~ July 2023

#### **CEDAR LAKE CAMP**



## Are you ready for Cedar Lake Camp, Big Bear?

### Youth Camp: 3rd - 12th grade July 16th - 22nd "Jesus People ~ John 14:6"

\$425 per person Includes: Room & Board, T-shirt, Group Picture & Camp Music CD and of course all activities (swimming, canoeing, games, crafts, hiking and more.)

### Adult Camp July 16th - 19th "The PSALMS"

Single Room \$300, Shared Room \$250, or 1 day/overnight \$125 Your itinerary is up to you! Available Activities include:

Discussions on the Book of Psalms Morning Worship at Rock Chapel Afternoon activities: hiking, boating or just enjoying the natural surroundings Evening Entertainment: A variety of activities, sing a longs, movies, and games Opportunities for individual exploration and shopping at Big Bear Lake and Village.

You can pick up your registration packet on Sundays near the C.E. Bulletin Board or request digital copies by emailing pilgrimoffice@pilgrimchurchpomona.com. If you have any questions please call 909-622-1373



### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!**



#### Pilgrim is hoping to have its first Vacation Bible School since the summer of 2019 but we can't do it without you!

This year we are trying something new. Instead of a week long VBS, we will be holding 3 VBS sessions over 3 Sunday afternoons so that those who work during the week or have to attend summer school can participate. We hope to have 40 children across 4 different age groups (10 kids per group) and predict we will need a team of at least 20 - 25 volunteers each Sunday. *Sounds like fun, but you're not available all 3 Sundays?* If you can only do 1 or 2 Sundays, that is okay, we will work to have a full team each Sunday, but that doesn't mean it has to be the same volunteers, depending on the assign-

ment. *Love supporting kids, but working directly with them is not your strong suit?* That is okay as well. There are many supporting roles that need filling.

### How Can You Help?

We need: 3 to 4 teachers, lunch/snack leader, kitchen assistants, 1st Aide Nurse, Audio/Visual Tech., 12 to 15 Leaders In Training (these are typically our teen volunteers), Music Leaders, Worship Leader, Crafts Leader, and Recreation Leader, set - up & take down help (decorations, etc.,) prop and decoration building, photographer and more.

Donations needed include: lunch and snack items, water bottles (small), SWAG: VBS Shirts, bags, and music CDs, camperships for those interested that are not be able to afford the fee and more.

We want this to be an inclusive, faith & love through service, inspiring and of course FUN experience for everyone, campers and volunteers alike. Join us for a brief presentation on June 11th after worship service, but before CREW to learn more details about how you can help as well as get any questions you have answered.

Otherwise, **save the dates: August 6th, 13th & 20th** to join us as we take off to Adventure Island to find God's beacon of light within each of us. Not sure if you know how to do any of these jobs, don't worry, we will have a detailed training for all volunteers, on Saturday, July 29th at the home of Sherry Glab.

For more information and to sign up email Sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com or call 909-622-1373



### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Join Beacon the Puffin and friends as we visit Adventure Island on a quest for God's Great Light

The adventure begins August on Sundays! August 6th, 13th & 20th Noon ~ Lunch & Sign in 1pm ~ Adventure Time 4pm ~ Pick Up



Adventure Tickets for Campers: \$40 each, \$30 for siblings. Resister Today by calling Sarah 909-622-1373 or email sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com

> Adventure Groups Kindergarten: (must be potty trained) 1st & 2nd Grade 3rd & 4th Grade 5th & 6th Grade

> > Join us for fun music, games, crafts, activities, snacks and more as we go on a quest to find God's Great Light.



### A CHURCH THAT PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER



If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please send your Band of Prayer requests to Sue Shedd via email at saintshedd@roadrunner.com or leave a message at 909-622-1373.

The NACCC Prayer Circle is a weekly gathering of fellow Congregationalists from around the country who meet by Zoom for 30 minutes to

pray for local, regional, national, and international concerns as well as follow up with one another. The prayer time is led by a facilitator, but opened to the group as well. To join in 8pm Monday evening prayer circle visit: https://www.naccc.org/naccc-prayer-circle/

#### REMEMBRANCE



If you know someone who would love to receive a card or note from Pilgrim Auxiliary, please submit their name and address to sarah@pilgrimchurchpomona.com or call 909-622-1373 and ask for Sarah. These can be a notes of celebration, sympathy, get well or just thinking of you.

It's always nice to receive a note "Just Because!"

### WAYS TO GIVE





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Pilgrim Church 600 N. Garey Avenue Pomona, CA. 91767

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#### **SUNDAY SERVICE NOTES**

#### July 2nd, 2023 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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Presiding Minister:	Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn					
Worship Assistant:	Rev. Keith Eades					
Lesson One:	Psalm 13					
Lesson Two:	Matthew 10:40-42					
Theme:	What Christians Get					
Sermon:	The Christian Reward System					
Color:	Green					
Fellowship Host:	Members - at - Large					
Flower Dedication: This morning's flowers are lovingly						
provided by (1) Karli Gordon: "Happy Anniversary to						

Johnnie & Karlie Gordon." (2) Harriett Hartshorn: "In honor of the blessings that have been accomplished through the hard work in recent months."

#### July 9th, 2023 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Leader: Ms. Sherry Glab Color: Green Presentations from NACCC & NAPF/HOPE Conferences

Fellowship Host: Outreach

Flower Dedication: This morning's flowers are lovingly provided by: (1)Jenni & Steve Whyte: "In joyful celebration of three very special women in our lives; Happy birthday to Karen Whyte (80), Sylvia Osborn (75), and Sierra Whyte (30). We love you all dearly." (2)Cedric & Lorraine Rogers: "God bless our Pilgrim Church, may we bind ever closer in strength and praise of God through Christ."

#### **July 16th. 2023**

#### Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Presiding Minister:	Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn
Worship Assistant:	Mr. Ron Vanyo
Lesson 1:	Psalm 119:105-112
Lesson 2:	Matthew 13:1-9
Theme:	A Place of Understanding
Sermon:	Good Soil
Color:	Green
Fellowship Host:	Outreach
Flower Dedication:	This morning's flowers are loving

Flower Dedication: This morning's flowers are lovingly provided by: Bonnie Seath: "In joyful celebration of nephew Cory's 37th Birthday, nephew Ryan's 33rd Birthday, Grandma Maxine's 94th Birthday, and Cory and Becky's 11th Wedding Anniversary. We have many blessings to be thankful for.

#### July 23rd, 2023 **Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

Presiding Minister:	Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn
Worship Assistant:	Miss Berlyne Stillions
Lesson One:	Matthew 13:24-30
Lesson Two:	Psalm 138:1-12; 23-24
Theme:	The Language of Praise
Sermon Title:	Too Wonderful
Color:	Green
Fellowship Host:	Trustees

Flower Dedication: This morning's flowers are in honor of: "Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn, celebrating his second year as Senior Paster here at Pilgrim Congregational Church."

#### July 30th 2023 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Presiding Minister:	Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn
Worship Assistant:	Mr. Andrew Olson
Lesson One:	Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
Lesson Two:	Psalm 128
Theme:	Prosperity and Christ
Sermon Title:	The Happy Life
Color:	Green
Fellowship Host:	Music Board
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#### The boutonnieres for July are provided by:

(1) Jeanne Cockrell: "Happy Birthday, Mother, Doris Bruce."

(2) Jenni Whyte: "Happy birthday month to Pilgrim's original female usher, and my lovely mother, Sylvia *Osborn. Thank you for being my earthly example* of kindness, honesty, and grace. I love you, Jenni."

#### Liturgical Notes by Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn -

Green symbolizes growth and life, hope and anticipation. Green is used in Ordinary time, the period of the Church calendar which gives attention to the Lord's life and ministry: it reminds us that the mission of the Church is to love the world and share the hope of Christ.

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## WEEKLY / MONTHLY

EVERY MORNING, MON. - SAT.

Daily Devotional 9am via Facebook Live and Zoom

9am – Adult Sunday School 9am – Gather & Greet 10am – Worship Service (In-person & Online) Summer Sunday School for 1st – 7th grade (following Children's Message) 11am—Fellowship Hour & Flashpoint

#### **EVERY TUESDAY**

Twilight Bible Study 5:45pm via Facebook Live & YouTube

**EVERY 1ST TUESDAY** (OCTOBER - JUNE) Pilgrim Auxiliary Meeting, Program & Luncheon

**EVERY 1ST WEDNESDAY** 7pm – Church Council Meeting

**EVERY FRIDAY** Men's Breakfast ~ Roberta's at 8am

EVERY SUNDAY

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**July 2nd** Pilgrim Clean Up Day

**July 4th** Independence Day Office Closed

July 9th NACCC & NAPF/HOPE Presentations

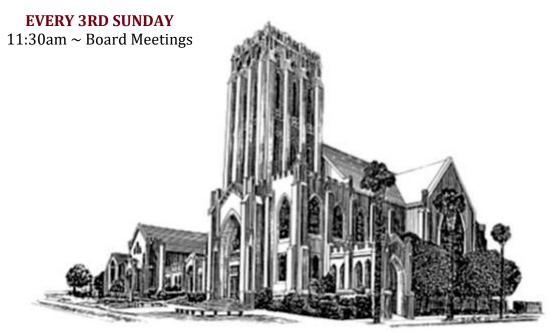
> **July 16** - **July 19th** Cedar Lake Adult Camp

July 16th - July 22nd Cedar Lake Youth Camp

**July 23rd** Camp Burger Bash Noon - Mini Concert

July 29th VBS Training Day

June 30th NAPF/HOPE Car Wash & Ice Cream Social



July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
C C		JI	ίL		2	1 9:00am Morning Devotional 12:00pm NA Group Meeting
2 9:00am Adult Sunday School 9:00am Gather & Greet 9:45am Worship Service 11:00am Fellowship Hour 11:30am Clean Up Day	3 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional 10:00am Alanon "Serenity" 6:30pm AA	4 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional 9:30am CEA/HOW 7:30pm AA	5 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional 6:00pm Basketball 7:00pm Cancelled Church Council Meeting 7:30pm NA Support	6 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional 7:30pm AA Mother Group,	7 8:00am Men's Breakfast 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional	8 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional 12:00pm NA Group Meeting-Rm 14
9 9:00am Adult Sunday School 9:00am Gather & Greet 9:45am Worship Service 11:00am NACCC & NAPF/HOPE Presentations 3:00pm Moose Meeting	10 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional 10:00am Alanon "Serenity" 6:00pm Mountainside Meeting 6:30pm AA	11 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional 9:30am CEA/HOW 7:30pm AA	12 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional 6:00pm Basketball 7:30pm NA Support	13 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional 7:30pm AA Mother Group	14 8:00am Men's Breakfast 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional	15 9:00am Cancelled Morning Devotional 10:00am Christian Business 360 Meeting 12:00pm NA Group Meeting-Rm 14
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